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In re application of

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For: PROCESS FOR PRODUCING OPTICALLY ACTIVE  $\alpha$ -SUBSTITUTED CYSTEINE  
OR SALT THEREOF, INTERMEDIATE THEREOF, AND PROCESS FOR  
PRODUCING THE SAME

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

**MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows on the  
accompanying pages.

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